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Request for Clearance

The Adjutant General  
(Decorations & Awards)

Dept of Air Force  
Hq USAF-AFPMP-12-C

17 Feb 48

Capt Williamson/ado/73831

Attn: Mr. Mangers

1. Request clearance by the Department of the Army of the following awards given to personnel, as indicated:

General Hoyt S. Vandenberg - Gra-Cruz da Ordem de Avis  
Major John M. White, Jr. - Oficialto da Ordem de Avis  
Major William R. Smith - Merito Militar de 2<sup>a</sup> Classe

2. The above awards were presented on 12 February 1948, to the recipients by Mr. Santos Costa, Portuguese Minister of War.

FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

/s/ C. W. Baldwin, Maj, USAF  
for: ROBERT M. CALDWELL  
Colonel, USAF  
Office, Director of Military Personnel

TO: Office, Chief of Staff FROM: D & A Branch DATE: 17 Feb 48 COMMENT No.2  
United States Air Force Room 5C 742 Lt Col Elliot/4211/ek  
ATTN: Capt Laurence D. Williamson The Pentagon  
Room 5D 175, The Pentagon

Authority is hereby granted for the subject officers to accept and wear the Portuguese decorations as indicated in Comment No. 1.

FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

/s/ G. D. Gardner  
G. D. GARDNER  
Chief, Decorations & Awards Br.,  
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